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In re Application of  
William Gray, Gerald Smith,  
Carl Larkin, Lee Peart,  
Peter Saunders, Stuart Fiske and  
Darren Morford  
Application No. 10/607,144  
Filed: June 26, 2003  
Attorney Docket No. 37355-131  
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
CONDUCTING SECURE ELECTRONIC  
TRANSACTIONS

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DECISION NOTING JOINDER  
OF INVENTOR AND PETITION  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a) MOOT

This is a decision on the "Request for Reconsideration of Petition under 37 CFR § 1.47(a)," filed August 25, 2004.

The petition is **DISMISSED AS MOOT**.

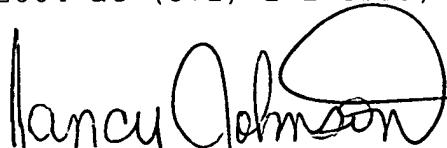
The above-identified application was filed on June 3, 2002, without an executed oath or declaration. William Gray, Gerald Smith, Carl Larkin, Lee Peart, Peter Saunders, Stuart Fiske and Darren Morford were named as joint inventors. In reply to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted" mailed September 16, 2003, applicants timely filed the initial petition under § 1.47(a) for acceptance of the declaration without the signature of inventor Morford. The petition was dismissed for failure to submit an acceptable declaration and for failure to provide the last known address of inventor Morford (Decision mailed May 4, 2004).

On instant request for reconsideration, made timely by an accompanying petition and fee for extension of time within the second month, applicants replied filing a declaration executed by previously non-signing inventor Darren Morford. This declaration has been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47.

In view of the joinder of the joint inventor, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is not necessary and the petition is considered moot. This application does not have any Rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this Office for further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

The application file is being returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for completion of pre-examination processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0309 (or on or after September 28, 2004 at (571) 272-3219).



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